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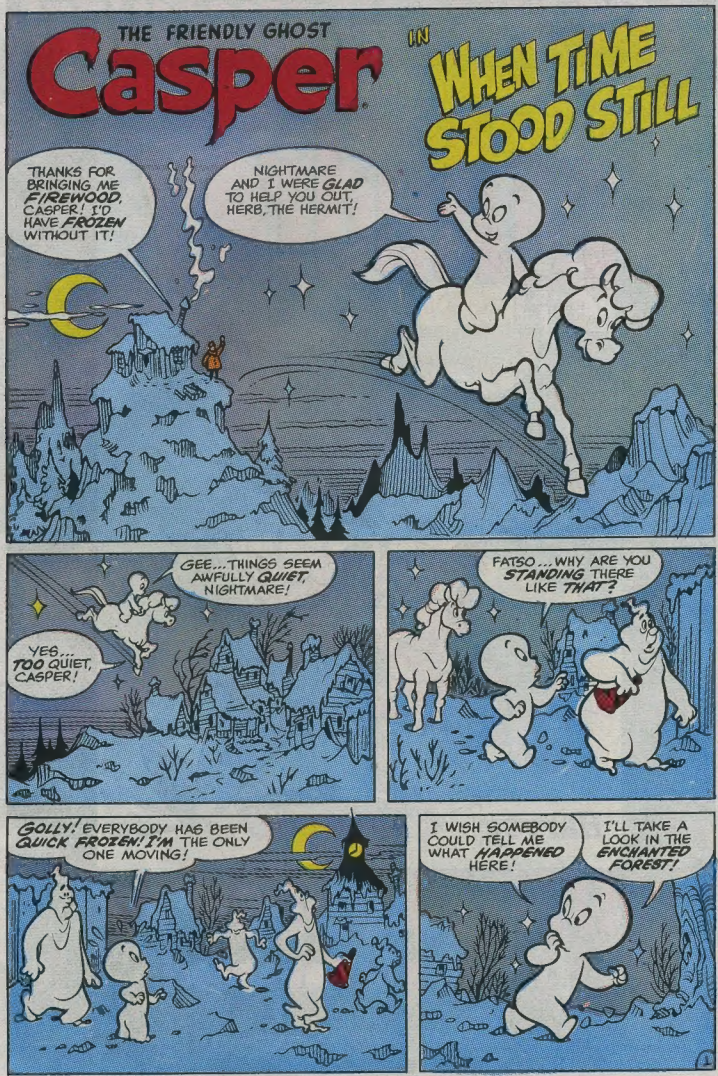
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IN
WHEN TIME STOOD STILL
THANKS FOR BRINGING ME FIREWOOD, CASPER! I'D HAVE FROZEN WITHOUT IT!
NIGHTMARE AND I WERE GLAD TO HELP YOU OUT, HERB, THE HERMIT!
GEE... THINGS SEEM AWFULLY QUIET, NIGHTMARE!
YES... TOO QUIET, CASPER!
FATSO... WHY ARE YOU STANDING THERE LIKE THAT?
GOLLY! EVERYBODY HAS BEEN QUICK FROZEN! I'M THE ONLY ONE MOVING!
I WISH SOMEBODY COULD TELL ME WHAT HAPPENED HERE!
I'LL TAKE A LOOK IN THE ENCHANTED FOREST!

THE MISS IN MISCHIEF!

LITTLE AUDREY #7

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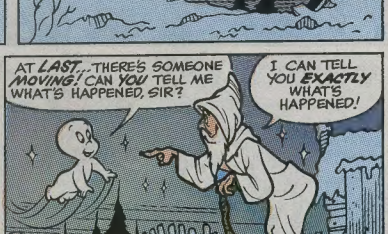
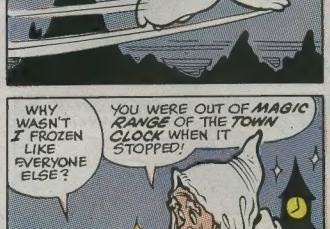
GULP! THE SAME THING HAS HAPPENED HERE, TOO!

OH, NO! WENDY AND HER WITCH AUNTS, TOO!

GEE... IT'S NOT THAT COLD OUT! THERE'S SOME EVIL WORK GOING ON HERE!


AT LAST... THERE'S SOMEONE MOVING! CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT'S HAPPENED, SIR?
I CAN TELL YOU EXACTLY WHAT'S HAPPENED!


WHY WASN'T I FROZEN LIKE EVERYONE ELSE?
YOU WERE OUT OF MAGIC RANGE OF THE TOWN CLOCK WHEN IT STOPPED!

THEN NIGHTMARE AND I WERE SAVED WHEN WE WENT TO HELP HERB... THE HERMIT! BUT WHY... WHO?
BEHOLD THAT BRIGHT GREEN STAR!

"THAT IS ASTRA MINOR FROM WHICH GROKO, THE MAD MONSTER, SENT HIS SABOTEURS TO STOP THE CLOCK! WHY...? BECAUSE I WAS HERE...

"WHEN THE CLOCK WAS STOPPED, TIME STOPPED FOR ALL IN RANGE OF ITS MAGIC POWER...

"THEY TOOK THE CLOCK'S KEY FROM ME..."
YOU SEE...I AM FATHER TIME... AND THIS BEING DECEMBER 31ST...
LOOK OUT!
GROKO WANTS TO SEE YOU, OLD MAN!
COWARDS! LET HIM ALONE!
DON'T WORRY, FATHER TIME! I'LL FIND A WAY TO HELP YOU!
I'VE GOT TO GET UP TO ASTRA MINOR!
AND I KNOW JUST WHO CAN GET ME THERE!
TWEET!
WILL YOU COME WITH ME TO A STAR, NIGHTMARE?
SURE, CASPER... BUT WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
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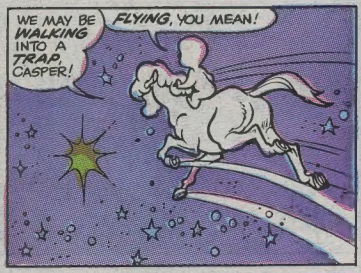
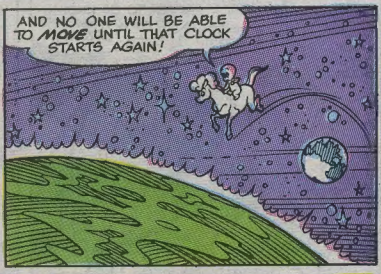
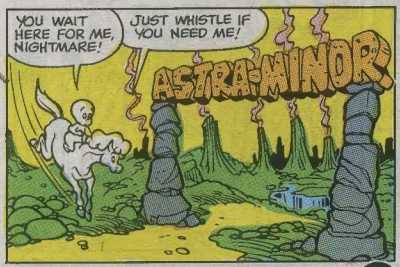
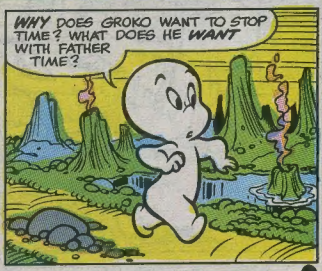
WHY WOULD ANYONE WANT TO STOP TIME?
I HOPE TO FIND THAT OUT WHEN WE GET TO ASTRA MINOR!


WE MAY BE WALKING INTO A TRAP, CASPER!
FLYING, YOU MEAN!

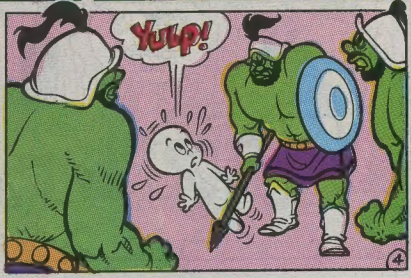
WE MUST GET FATHER TIME BACK! ONLY HE CAN START THE TOWN HALL CLOCK AGAIN!


AND NO ONE WILL BE ABLE TO MOVE UNTIL THAT CLOCK STARTS AGAIN!


YOU WAIT HERE FOR ME, NIGHTMARE!
JUST WHISTLE IF YOU NEED ME!
ASTRA-MINOR


WHY DOES GROKO WANT TO STOP TIME? WHAT DOES HE WANT WITH FATHER TIME?

AND WHAT'S ALL THAT GOT TO DO WITH TODAY BEING DECEMBER 31ST?
GNYARK!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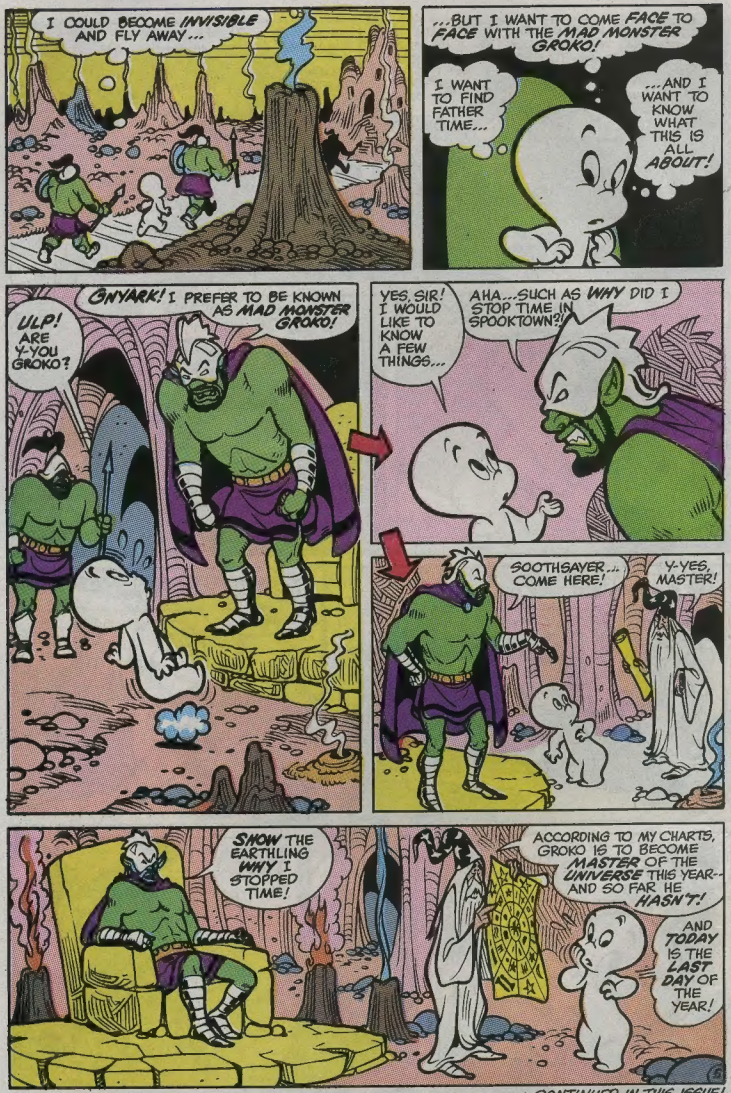
I COULD BECOME INVISIBLE AND FLY AWAY...
...BUT I WANT TO COME FACE TO FACE WITH THE MAD MONSTER GROKO!
I WANT TO FIND FATHER TIME...
...AND I WANT TO KNOW WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT!
GNYARK! I PREFER TO BE KNOWN AS MAD MONSTER GROKO!
ULP! ARE Y-YOU GROKO?
YES, SIR! I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW A FEW THINGS...
AHA...SUCH AS WHY DID I STOP TIME IN SPOOKTOWN?
SOOTHSAYER... COME HERE!
Y-YES, MASTER!
SHOW THE EARTHLING WHY I STOPPED TIME!
ACCORDING TO MY CHARTS, GROKO IS TO BECOME MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE THIS YEAR-- AND SO FAR HE HASN'T!
AND TODAY IS THE LAST DAY OF THE YEAR!
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the tuff little ghost
Spooky
THE WOODS ARE SO FULL OF CREATURES HERE, I CAN SCARE ONE WITH EACH STEP I TAKE! ONE!
BOO!
YEEK!
TWO! IT'S TOO EASY...
BOO!
YWACK!
THREE! MY SCARE IS EVEN STRONGER THAN YOURS!
BOO!
FOUR! WHATEVER YOU ARE...
BOO!
FUNNY...THAT LITTLE CREATURE IN THE BUSH DIDN'T SCARE... THAT'S ONE STEP I MISSED...
THAT'S BECAUSE IT'S NO LITTLE CREATURE!! WHAT'SA BIG IDEA WAKIN' ME UP?
AW...
C-C-C-C'MON! CAN'TCHA TAKE A JOKE??
THE END

GET RICH QUICK!

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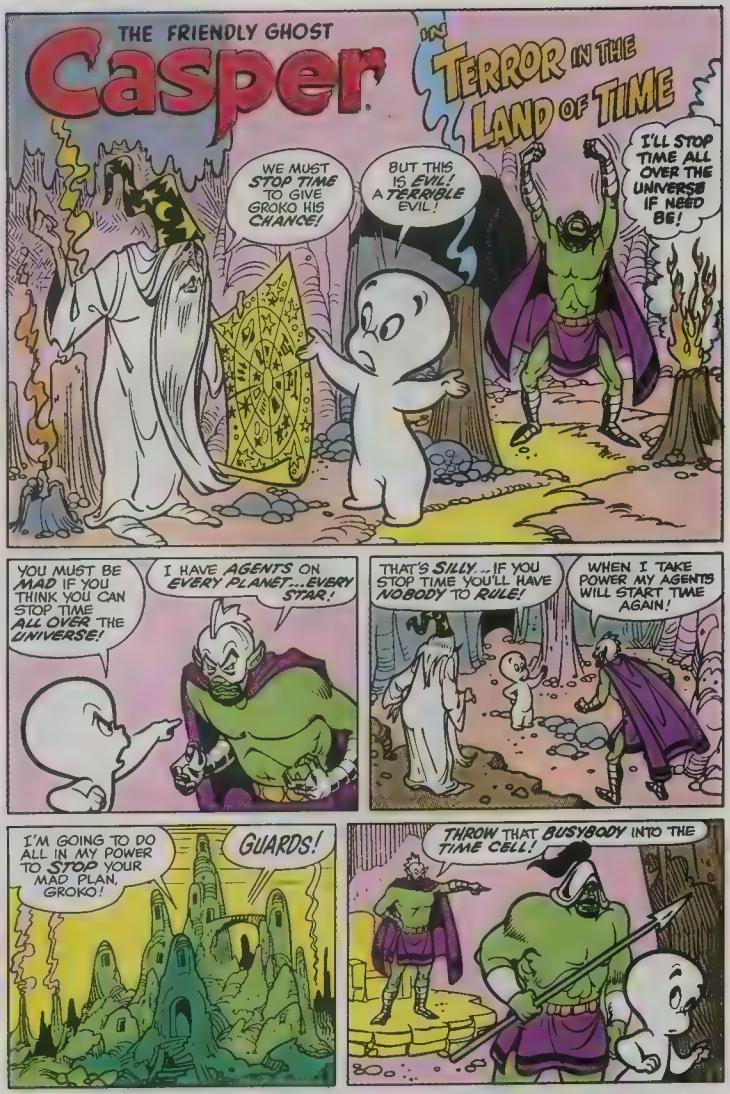
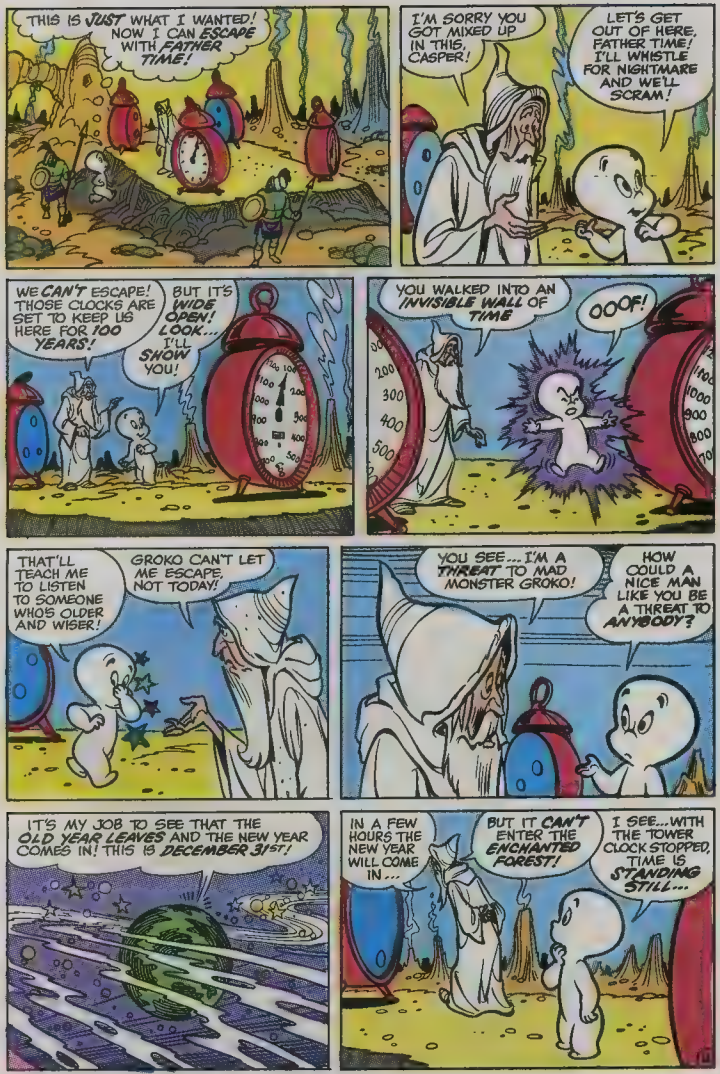
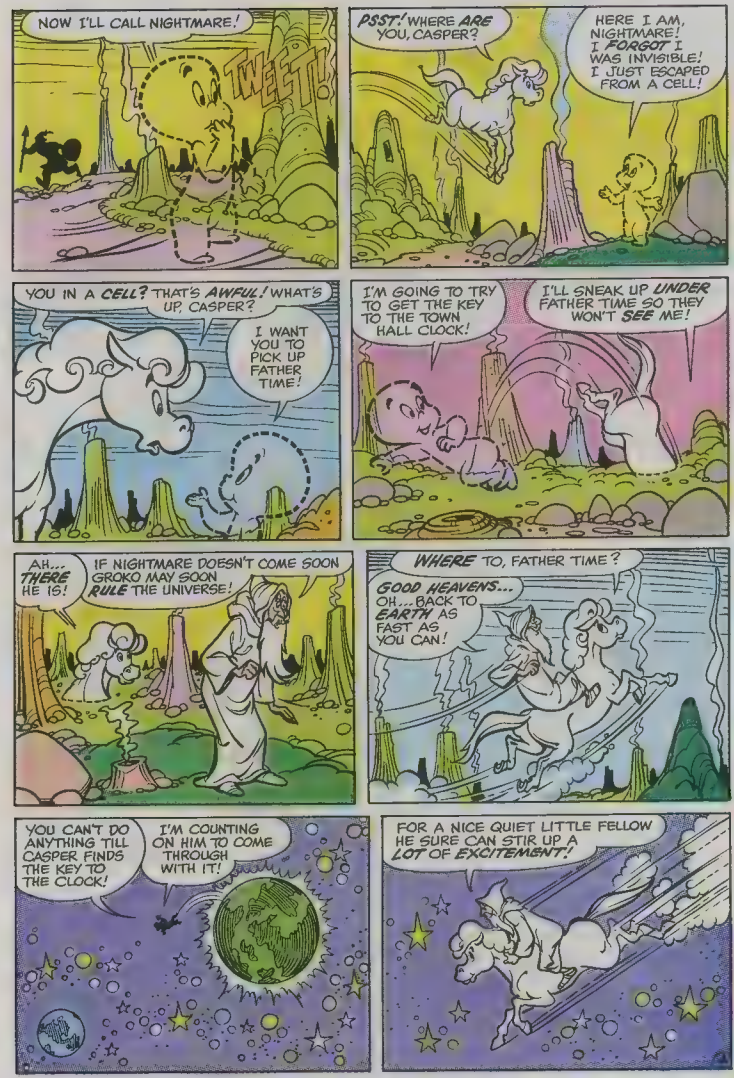
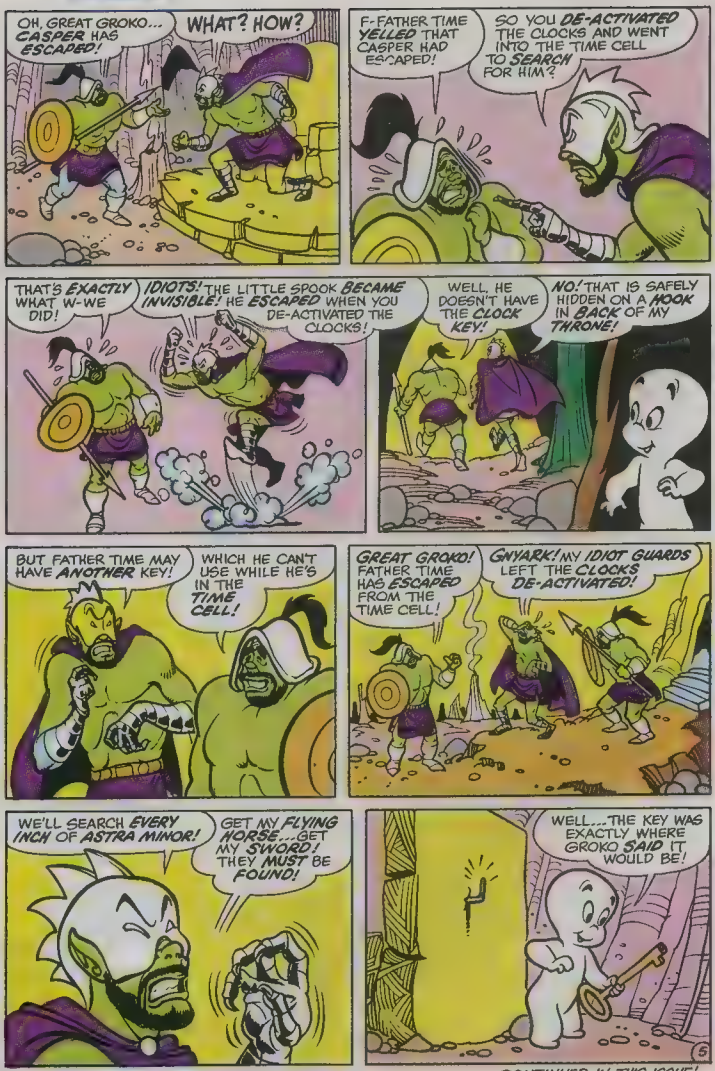

THE FRIENDLY GHOST
Casper
IN
TERROR IN THE LAND OF TIME
WE MUST STOP TIME TO GIVE GROKO HIS CHANCE!
BUT THIS IS EVIL! A TERRIBLE EVIL!
I'LL STOP TIME ALL OVER THE UNIVERSE IF NEED BE!
YOU MUST BE MAD IF YOU THINK YOU CAN STOP TIME ALL OVER THE UNIVERSE!
I HAVE AGENTS ON EVERY PLANET...EVERY STAR!
THAT'S SILLY... IF YOU STOP TIME YOU'LL HAVE NOBODY TO RULE!
WHEN I TAKE POWER MY AGENTS WILL START TIME AGAIN!
I'M GOING TO DO ALL IN MY POWER TO STOP YOUR MAD PLAN, GROKO!
GUARDS!
THROW THAT BUSYBODY INTO THE TIME CELL!


THIS IS JUST WHAT I WANTED! NOW I CAN ESCAPE WITH FATHER TIME!
I'M SORRY YOU GOT MIXED UP IN THIS, CASPER!
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE, FATHER TIME! I'LL WHISTLE FOR NIGHTMARE AND WE'LL SCRAM!
WE CAN'T ESCAPE! THOSE CLOCKS ARE SET TO KEEP US HERE FOR 100 YEARS!
BUT IT'S WIDE OPEN! LOOK... I'LL SHOW YOU!
YOU WALKED INTO AN INVISIBLE WALL OF TIME
OOOF!
THAT'LL TEACH ME TO LISTEN TO SOMEONE WHO'S OLDER AND WISER!
GROKO CAN'T LET ME ESCAPE, NOT TODAY!
YOU SEE... I'M A THREAT TO MAD MONSTER GROKO!
HOW COULD A NICE MAN LIKE YOU BE A THREAT TO ANYBODY?
IT'S MY JOB TO SEE THAT THE OLD YEAR LEAVES AND THE NEW YEAR COMES IN! THIS IS DECEMBER 31ST!
IN A FEW HOURS THE NEW YEAR WILL COME IN...
BUT IT CAN'T ENTER THE ENCHANTED FOREST!
I SEE... WITH THE TOWER CLOCK STOPPED, TIME IS STANDING STILL...

AND THE CLOCK CAN'T BE WOUND WITHOUT A KEY!
EXACTLY... AND GROKO, FEARING I MAY HAVE ANOTHER KEY, BROUGHT ME HERE!
BUT THERE IS NO OTHER KEY!
THEN WE MUST GET THE KEY FROM GROKO! WE MUST ESCAPE!
FATHER TIME... I'VE GOT A PLAN...
WHATEVER IT IS, CASPER, WE'D BETTER HURRY...
...DO YOU GET THE IDEA, FATHER TIME?
I THINK SO! DON'T FORGET THE KEY!
OKAY... I'M INVISIBLE NOW!
GUARDS! GUARDS! CASPER HAS ESCAPED!
QUICK... DE-ACTIVATE THE CLOCKS!
YOU WALK OUT AFTER THEY GO TO GIVE THE ALARM!
THE OLD MAN SPEAKS THE TRUTH! CASPER HAS ESCAPED!
WE MUST TELL GROKO AT ONCE!


NOW I'LL CALL NIGHTMARE!
TWEET!
PSST! WHERE ARE YOU, CASPER?
HERE I AM, NIGHTMARE! I FORGOT I WAS INVISIBLE! I JUST ESCAPED FROM A CELL!
YOU IN A CELL? THAT'S AWFUL! WHAT'S UP, CASPER?
I WANT YOU TO PICK UP FATHER TIME!
I'M GOING TO TRY TO GET THE KEY TO THE TOWN HALL CLOCK!
I'LL SNEAK UP UNDER FATHER TIME SO THEY WON'T SEE ME!
AH... THERE HE IS!
IF NIGHTMARE DOESN'T COME SOON GROKO MAY SOON RULE THE UNIVERSE!
WHERE TO, FATHER TIME?
GOOD HEAVENS... OH... BACK TO EARTH AS FAST AS YOU CAN!
YOU CAN'T DO ANYTHING TILL CASPER FINDS THE KEY TO THE CLOCK!
I'M COUNTING ON HIM TO COME THROUGH WITH IT!
FOR A NICE QUIET LITTLE FELLOW HE SURE CAN STIR UP A LOT OF EXCITEMENT!


OH, GREAT GROKO... CASPER HAS ESCAPED!
WHAT? HOW?
F-FATHER TIME YELLED THAT CASPER HAD ESCAPED!
SO YOU DE-ACTIVATED THE CLOCKS AND WENT INTO THE TIME CELL TO SEARCH FOR HIM?
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT W-WE DID!
IDIOTS! THE LITTLE SPOOK BECAME INVISIBLE! HE ESCAPED WHEN YOU DE-ACTIVATED THE CLOCKS!
WELL, HE DOESN'T HAVE THE CLOCK KEY!
NO! THAT IS SAFELY HIDDEN ON A HOOK IN BACK OF MY THRONE!
BUT FATHER TIME MAY HAVE ANOTHER KEY!
WHICH HE CAN'T USE WHILE HE'S IN THE TIME CELL!
GREAT GROKO! FATHER TIME HAS ESCAPED FROM THE TIME CELL!
GNYARK! MY IDIOT GUARDS LEFT THE CLOCKS DE-ACTIVATED!
WE'LL SEARCH EVERY INCH OF ASTRA MINOR!
GET MY FLYING HORSE...GET MY SWORD! THEY MUST BE FOUND!
WELL...THE KEY WAS EXACTLY WHERE GROKO SAID IT WOULD BE!
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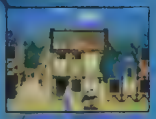
Belle's Quest



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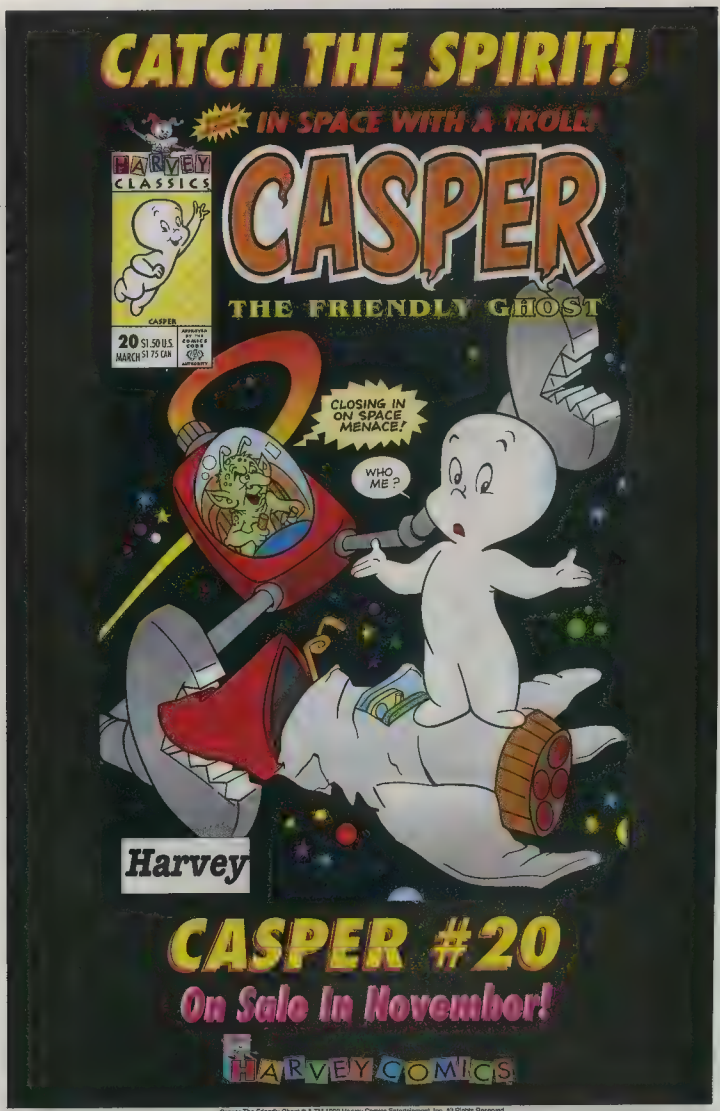

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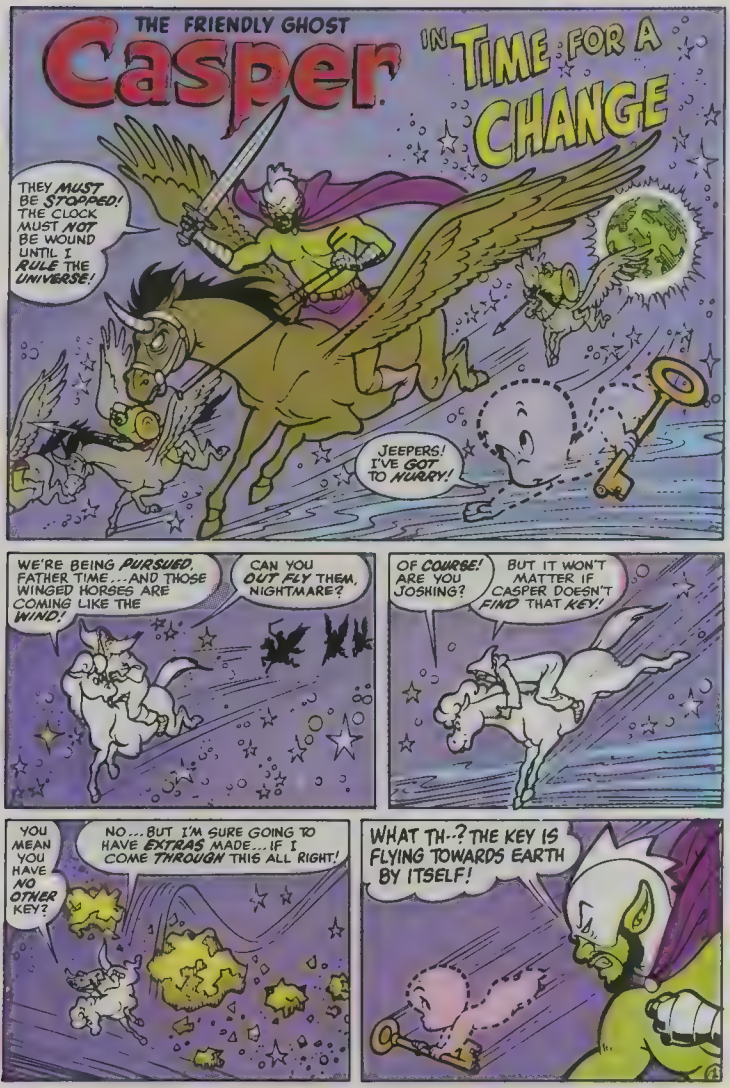
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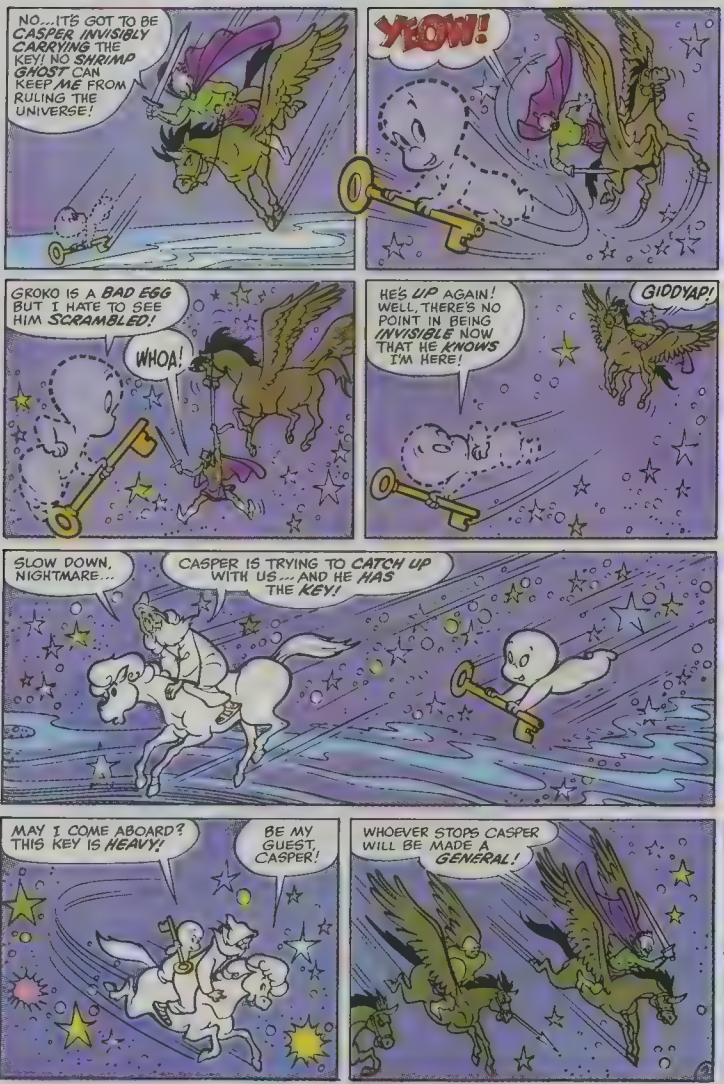
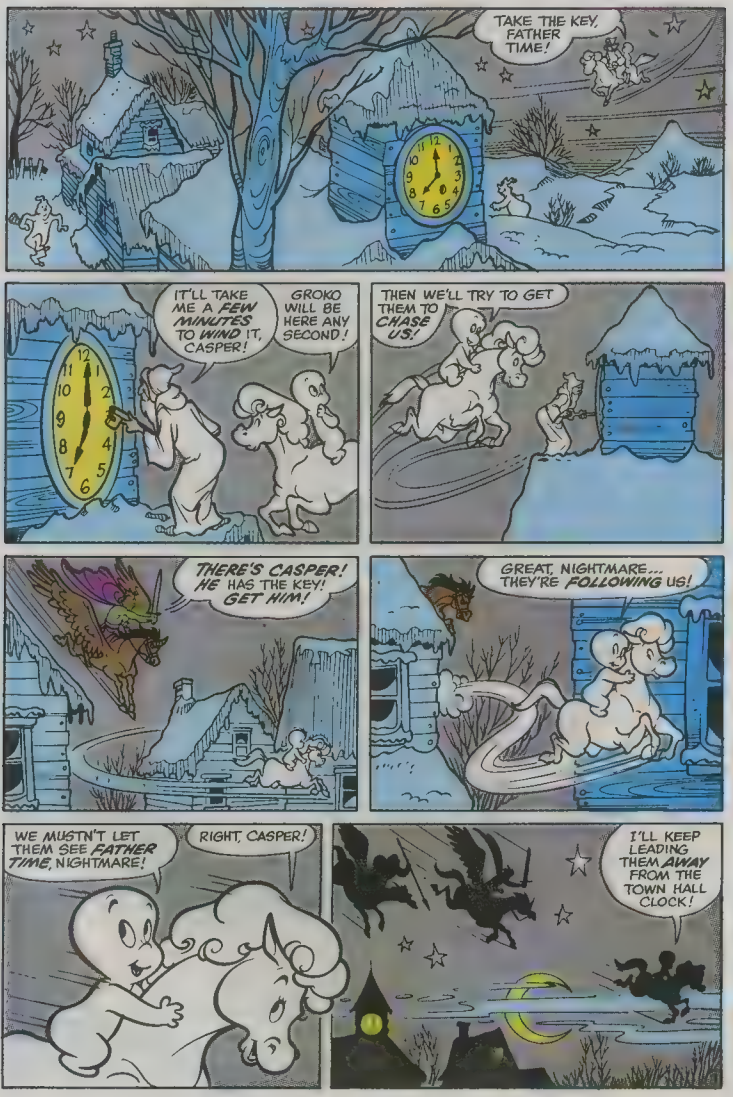
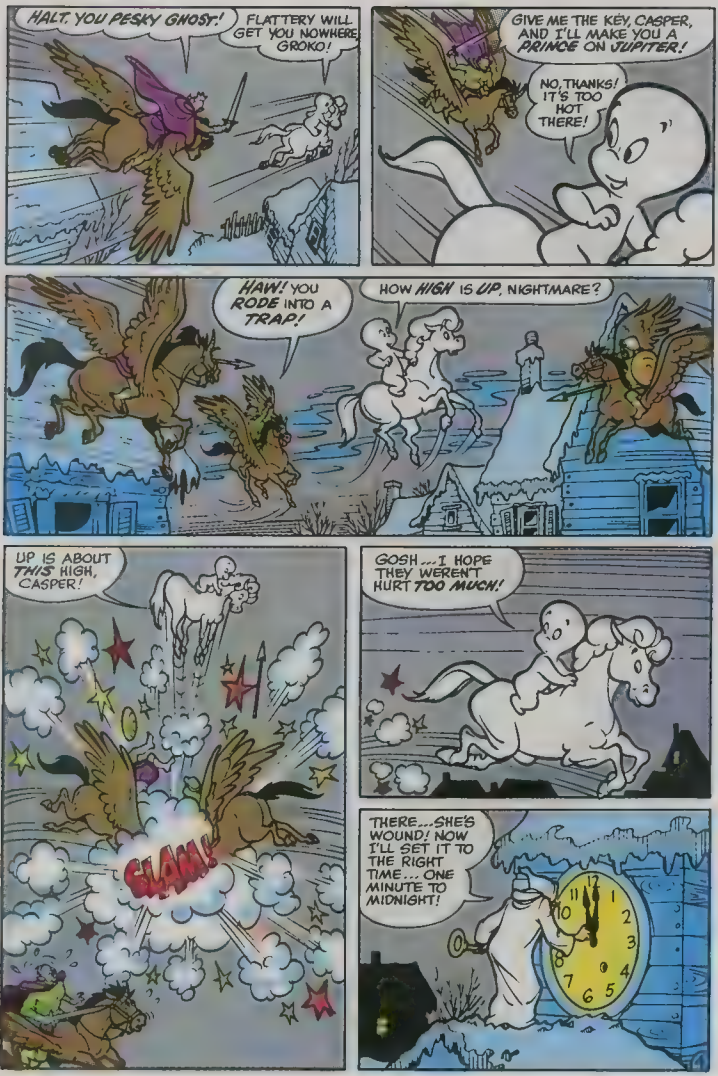
IN TIME FOR A CHANGE
THEY MUST BE STOPPED! THE CLOCK MUST NOT BE WOUND UNTIL I RULE THE UNIVERSE!
JEEPERS! I'VE GOT TO HURRY!
WE'RE BEING PURSUED, FATHER TIME...AND THOSE WINGED HORSES ARE COMING LIKE THE WIND!
CAN YOU OUT FLY THEM, NIGHTMARE?
OF COURSE! ARE YOU JOSHING?
BUT IT WON'T MATTER IF CASPER DOESN'T FIND THAT KEY!
YOU MEAN YOU HAVE NO OTHER KEY?
NO...BUT I'M SURE GOING TO HAVE EXTRAS MADE...IF I COME THROUGH THIS ALL RIGHT!
WHAT TH--? THE KEY IS FLYING TOWARDS EARTH BY ITSELF!


NO...IT'S GOT TO BE CASPER INVISIBLY CARRYING THE KEY! NO SHRIMP GHOST CAN KEEP ME FROM RULING THE UNIVERSE!
YEOW!
GROKO IS A BAD EGG BUT I HATE TO SEE HIM SCRAMBLED!
WHOA!
HE'S UP AGAIN! WELL, THERE'S NO POINT IN BEING INVISIBLE NOW THAT HE KNOWS I'M HERE!
GIDDYAP!
SLOW DOWN, NIGHTMARE...
CASPER IS TRYING TO CATCH UP WITH US... AND HE HAS THE KEY!
MAY I COME ABOARD? THIS KEY IS HEAVY!
BE MY GUEST, CASPER!
WHOEVER STOPS CASPER WILL BE MADE A GENERAL!


TAKE THE KEY, FATHER TIME!
IT'LL TAKE ME A FEW MINUTES TO WIND IT, CASPER!
GROKO WILL BE HERE ANY SECOND!
THEN WE'LL TRY TO GET THEM TO CHASE US!
THERE'S CASPER! HE HAS THE KEY! GET HIM!
GREAT, NIGHTMARE... THEY'RE FOLLOWING US!
WE MUSTN'T LET THEM SEE FATHER TIME, NIGHTMARE!
RIGHT, CASPER!
I'LL KEEP LEADING THEM AWAY FROM THE TOWN HALL CLOCK!


HALT, YOU PESKY GHOST!
FLATTERY WILL GET YOU NOWHERE, GROKO!
GIVE ME THE KEY, CASPER, AND I'LL MAKE YOU A PRINCE ON JUPITER!
NO, THANKS! IT'S TOO HOT THERE!
HAW! YOU RODE INTO A TRAP!
HOW HIGH IS UP, NIGHTMARE?
UP IS ABOUT THIS HIGH, CASPER!
SLAM!
GOSH ... I HOPE THEY WEREN'T HURT TOO MUCH!
THERE ... SHE'S WOUND! NOW I'LL SET IT TO THE RIGHT TIME ... ONE MINUTE TO MIDNIGHT!

GROKO! LOOK! THE CLOCK!
STOP HIM... A KINGDOM TO THE ONE WHO STOPS HIM!
YOU'RE TOO LATE, GROKO!
BONG BONG BONG BONG BONG BONG
THE OLD YEAR... YOUR YEAR, GROKO... IS GONE INTO HISTORY!
I'VE LOST! BEATEN BY AN OLD MAN AND A YOUNG SPOOK!
COME ON, MEN... WE'RE GOING BACK TO ASTRA MINOR WHERE WE BELONG!
THERE THEY GO, CASPER, THANKS TO YOU!
LOOK, FATHER TIME... EVERYBODY IS MOVING! EVERYTHING IS ALL RIGHT AGAIN!
HAPPY NEW YEAR
HAPPY NEW YEAR, CASPER!
THE END

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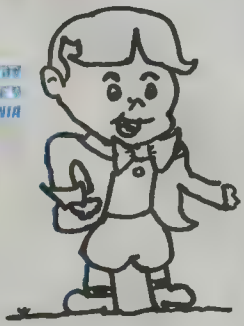

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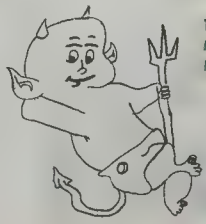

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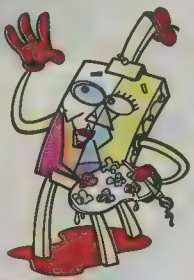

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TAKE MY WOID FOR IT- THE FOIST THING I LOINED IN LIFE WAS I WAS ALOIGIC TO PEOPLE WITH EMPTY HEADS!
SPOOKY'S BUTCHERING THE LANGUAGE! HE'S JARRING MY GUESTS' EARDRUMS!
'BYE, MR. AND MRS. HANLY! 'BYE, MR. AND MRS. SCOTT! PLEASE COME AGAIN!
NOT IF I CAN HELP IT!
MY FRIENDS ALL HAVE SENSITIVE EARS WHEN IT COMES TO THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE!
'AN I JARRED 'EM?
RIGHT! I SHOULD THINK YOU WOULD WANT TO IMPROVE YOUR VOCABULARY!
SHE MEANS LOIN BIG WOIDS!
'BYE, POIL!
THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU HAVE FANCY FRIENDS - YOU CAN'T BE YOURSELF! WELL, MAYBE THIS CLASSY DUMP HAS A DICTIONARY I CAN LOOK INTO!

WOW! A WHOLE LIBRARY FULL OF WOIDS!
HERE'S A BIG WOID-- 'COMPLICITY'! I CAN JUST SEE MYSELF WITH POIL'S CLASSY FRIENDS!
AHEM! FOIST LET ME SAY I WAS NOT CHARGED WITH COMPLICITY IN THE CRIME! AS A DILETTANTE IN APPLIED CRIMINOLOGY I ESPOUSE THE...
WAIT A MINUTE! I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT I'M SAYING! I BETTER GO A LITTLE SLOWER!
SOON MY HEAD'S SPINNIN' FROM MY NEW ACQUISITION OF WOIDS!
WHAM!!!
YOU, AS A MEMBER OF THE PRESENT GENERATION ARE BEYOND REDEMPTION! ALL AUTHORITY HAS BEEN REJECTED! YOU FLOUT YOUR ELDERS! YOU LEAP! YOU DON'T LOOK WHERE YOU'RE GOING!
HUH?
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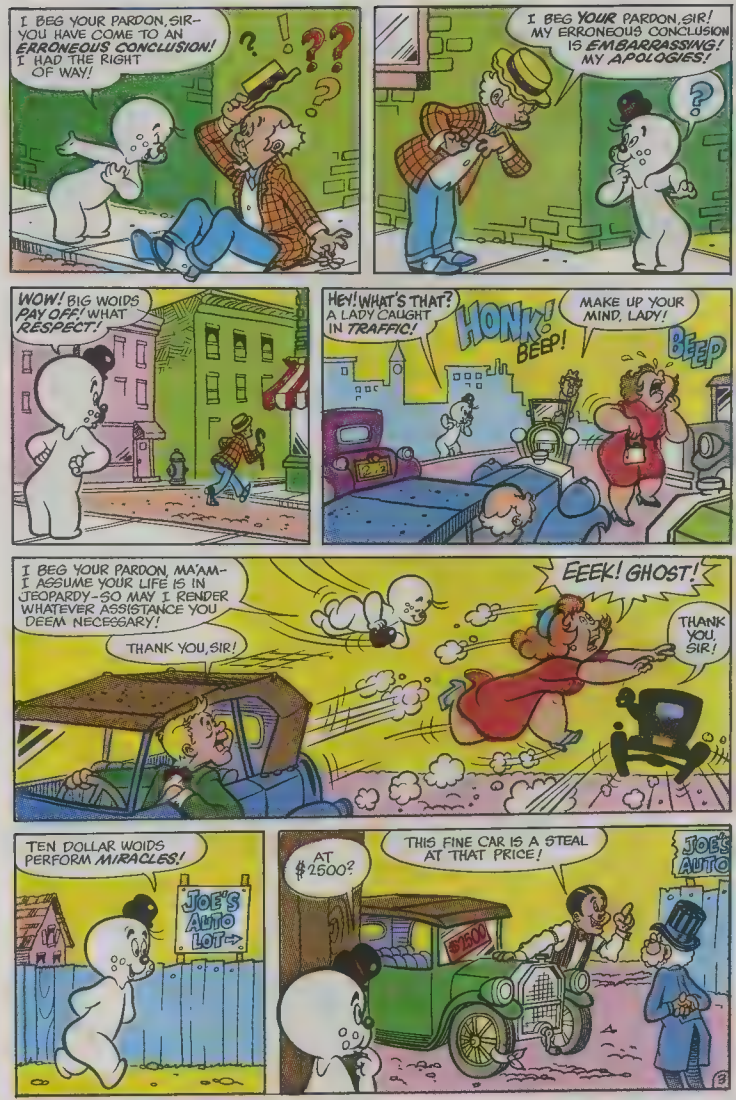
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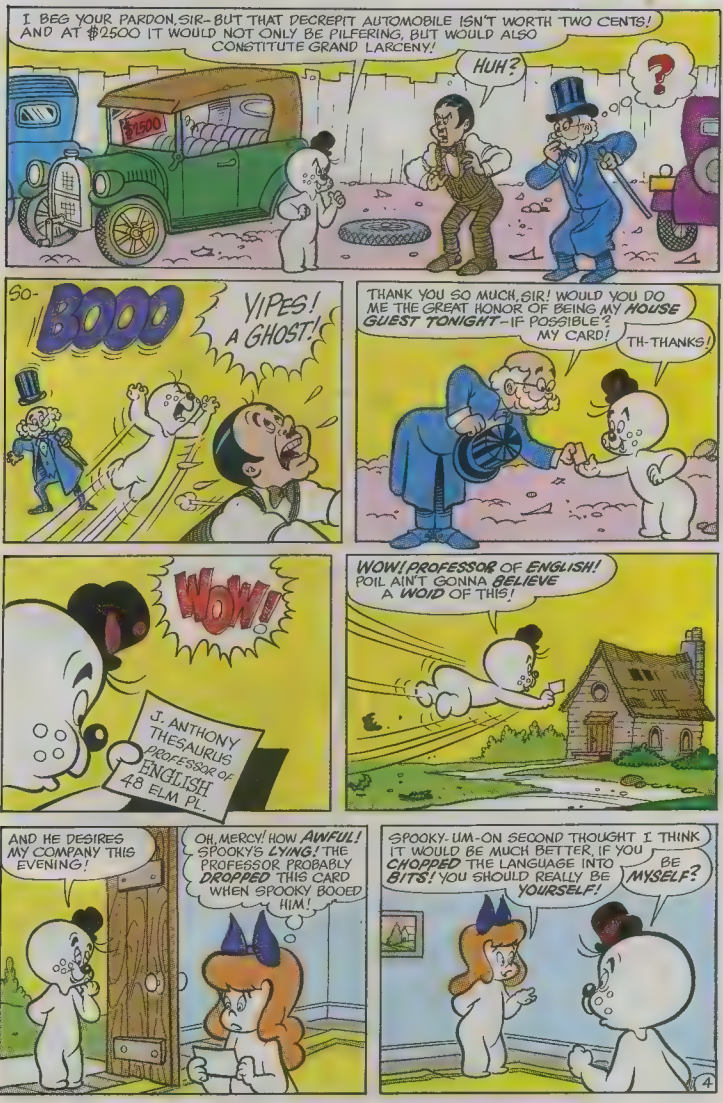
I BEG YOUR PARDON, SIR! MY ERRONEOUS CONCLUSION IS EMBARRASSING! MY APOLOGIES!
WOW! BIG WOIDS PAY OFF! WHAT RESPECT!
HEY! WHAT'S THAT? A LADY CAUGHT IN TRAFFIC!
HONK! BEEP!
MAKE UP YOUR MIND, LADY!
BEEP
I BEG YOUR PARDON, MA'AM- I ASSUME YOUR LIFE IS IN JEOPARDY- SO MAY I RENDER WHATEVER ASSISTANCE YOU DEEM NECESSARY!
THANK YOU, SIR!
EEEK! GHOST!
THANK YOU, SIR!
TEN DOLLAR WOIDS PERFORM MIRACLES!
JOE'S AUTO LOT
AT $2500?
THIS FINE CAR IS A STEAL AT THAT PRICE!
$1500
JOE'S AUTO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$2500
HUH?
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SO-
BOOO
YIPES! A GHOST!
THANK YOU SO MUCH, SIR! WOULD YOU DO ME THE GREAT HONOR OF BEING MY HOUSE GUEST TONIGHT- IF POSSIBLE? MY CARD!
TH-THANKS!
WOW!
J. ANTHONY THESAURUS PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH 48 ELM PL.
WOW! PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH! POIL AIN'T GONNA BELIEVE A VOID OF THIS!
AND HE DESIRES MY COMPANY THIS EVENING!
OH, MERCY! HOW AWFUL! SPOOKY'S LYING! THE PROFESSOR PROBABLY DROPPED THIS CARD WHEN SPOOKY BOOED HIM!
SPOOKY- UM- ON SECOND THOUGHT I THINK IT WOULD BE MUCH BETTER, IF YOU CHOPPED THE LANGUAGE INTO BITS! YOU SHOULD REALLY BE YOURSELF!
BE MYSELF?
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YOU REALLY PREFER ME TO BE MYSELF?
I DO!
I DO ANYTHING FOR POIL! I'LL BRAINWASH MYSELF!
ULP! I CAN'T KEEP THE PROF WAITING!
WHIPLASH
TEMPORAL LITIGANT
MANIFEST PROVISIONAL
SWERVE
CRESTFALLEN
GOTTA RUSH, POIL! I'M RUNNING LATE! THE PROFESSOR SAID HE WANTS ME TO MEET SOME OF HIS FRIENDS!
I BETTER FOLLOW HIM!
I STILL DON'T BELIEVE HIM!
RING
COME IN, MR. SPOOKY! PROFESSORS, THIS IS THE GENTLEMAN I TOLD YOU ABOUT!
HOW DO YOU DO, MR. SPOOKY?
DELIGHTED TO MAKE YOUR ACQUAINTANCE, MR. SPOOKY!
GASP! THEY'LL HUMILIATE HIM!
HOW AWFUL! THEY'RE MAKING FUN OF HIM!
HAW HAW
THAT'S RICH
HO HO
SEVERAL HOURS LATER-
WELL, GOOD NIGHT, PROFESSORS! THE EVENING SURE FLEW!
GOOD NIGHT, SPOOKY! THIS IS THE FOIST TIME WE WAS EVER ABLE TO LEAVE OUR HAIR DOWN AND RELAX!
GOOD NIGHT, SPOOKY! IT WAS A WOITHWHILE EVENIN'!
IT SOITENLY WAS, SPOOKY!
GASP!
THE END

I just got back from San Diego, and boy are my arms tired. (There's a joke in there somewhere.) You see, there are a lot of people who like comic books, and every few months they get together. Sometimes it's in Atlanta, sometimes Chicago; well, this time it was in beautiful San Diego, California.

They call it a convention, and everyone pretends they're there to do business, but that's just something to tell the bosses back in the home office so they'll pay for the trip. No, the real reason everyone goes is to see all the new comic books, to meet the writers and artists of their favorite titles, and to spend time with other people who love comics every bit as much as they do.

It's fun to meet the other people who make comic books, (it's a small community, sooner or later you get to know just about everybody). But the best part of it for me is meeting the people who read comic books: the fans. You.

Sure, there were a lot of "superhero" comic books. I won't name any names, but you know the type. The kind where the hero's muscles are more important than his brains.

But no booth brought a bigger smile to people's faces than the one manned by yours truly and the other folks from Harvey. Parents, children, even the people who write those other comic books, everyone loves Harvey Comics. In fact, I have a theory that most comic book professionals first fell in love with comics when they read the Harvey Classics. Judging by the number of people who came up to our booth, I'm absolutely right.

But the best, the absolute best thing about going to the convention was seeing the looks on kids faces when we handed them a Harvey comic book. You would think we were giving away pure gold!

Would you look at this? I spent so much time talking about the convention that I've run out of space! So how am I going to tell you about all the wonderful things coming out of Harvey this month? About the great new Crash Dummies issue,(it's up to Slick and Spin to save Christmas when Santa disappears), and the upcoming Beethoven comic book, and the all-new Hanna Barbera comics coming this winter... well I guess you'll just have to wait 'til next month!

Keep on reading!

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and we get letters...

Dear Richie Rich,
I enjoy reading your comics. I got your address from Money World Digest Magazine. I think you should give Bascom and Cadbury a raise. My favorite comic is Richie Rich and my second favorite is Casper. I think dollar is a smart dog. I wish I had a dog for my own but my parents won't let me. I try to show them that I'm responsible by coming home from my friends house on time and stuff like that. How do you think I could talk my parents into getting me a dog for my own?
Your #1 fan,
Dana Dreger, age 9 1/2
Edmonton, Alberta

Dear Dana,
Instead of getting a dog right away, Dana, why don't you start small—like with a goldfish! Before I got Dollar, my dad bought me a fish tank to see how responsible I was. Of course, my fish tank was 500 gallons and my goldfish were made of real gold! So be patient, Dana! I'm sure you'll have a dog of your very own in no time, and soon you'll be as happy as Dollar and me!
Your friend, Richie

Dear Spooky,
I'm a great fan of yours and simply love to read your books. Mother thinks I'm too old to read such kid's stuff (I'm 14), but I just can't give it up! You're so adorable! You know I've often wondered how you manage to scare anybody by saying "Boo!" I've tried to do it. I've shouted "Boo" loudly again and again, but without any results. What's your secret? Give my love to Pearl, Casper and Wendy.
Yours, Gauri Dandekar
Maharastra, India

Dear Gauri,
To be a great "Booer," Gauri, you have to practice, practice, practice! It's just like learning to be a great piano player! It also helps when you're a ghost, but even I practice a few hours a day by "Booing" at myself in the mirror! Maybe one day I'll start a "Booing" school, Gauri, and you can be my first student!
Your pal, Spooky

Dear Little Dot
I love your comics. I think when you grow up you should marry Richie. I think the two of you would make a nice couple! I'm the youngest one in my family. I have a brother who is 25! His name is Scotty and his nickname is Bubba!
Love your old sister, Andrea Scott Ackerman, MS

Dear Andrea,
Richie is one of my best friends, Andrea, but Richie already has a girlfriend—Gloria! So Richie has Gloria as a girlfriend and Lotta has Gerald as a boyfriend! Sigh! Now if only I could find a boyfriend who likes dots as much as I do! To answer your question, Andrea, I'd love to have you as a big sister! And by the way, Andrea, does Scotty like dots?
Your friend, Little Dot

Dear Hot Stuff,
I like to read comic books—mostly yours! I bet you have fun outsmarting people! I wish I had a fork like yours. What do you like to do? I like to swim, shop and play softball. I am eight years old, but you can say I'm nine because in three months I will be. You are lucky to have a cousin like steamy. I think you are cute. Bye, bye!
Your buddy, Morgan Vernill
Manchester, ME

Dear Morgan,
I like to swim, too, Morgan, but the first time I jumped into a pool, the water turned to steam! Now I go swimming in the volcano, and to me, the lava feels nice and cool! I also like to play softball, Morgan, and when I use my trusty pitchfork as a bat, I can really hit some hot line drives!
Your pal, Hot Stuff

Dear Richie,
It's summer time! I'm going on to the fourth grade. I might write you another letter in the fourth grade, and if I do, my address will be different. I'm moving to Texas! That's why I might write you another letter—to tell you what Texas is like. I have a lot of hobbies. Do you want me to name 'em? I like cartooning, drawing, painting, singing, acting and dancing.
Your #1 fan, Carl Meyer
Davis, CA

Dear Carl,
I'd love to hear what Texas is like, Carl! In fact, I'd love it if all my fans would write and tell me about the state or country they live in! When ever I have vacation time, I fly all over the world in the Rich jet—but all that flying can get pretty tiring! So if all my fans would tell me a little bit about their home state or country, Carl, I could do all my traveling from my room!
Your Friend. Richie

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